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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For (title): SUSTAINED RELEASE SURGICAL DEVICE AND METHOD OF MAKING AND

USING THE SAME

1. Type of Application

This application is for an original (nonprovisional).

2. Papers Enclosed

- A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application
 - 13 Page(s) of Specification
 - 6 Page(s) of Claims
 - 3 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal (Figs. 1-9)

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B. Other Papers Enclosed

- 3 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney unexecuted
- 1 Page(s) of abstract
- 3 Page(s) of Application Data Sheet (ADS)

3. Declaration or Oath

Enclosed and unexecuted.

4. Language

English

5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

Regular Application

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- 9. Relate Back
 - A. 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)

"This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Nos.:

APPLICATION NO.

FILING DATE

60/462.284

04/11/2003"

Language of prior filed provisional application

The above identified prior filed provisional application, namely application 60/462,284, filed 04/11/2003, whose benefit is being claimed was filed in the English language.

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